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SUBJECT: RICE PILFERAGE-KOMPONG SOM

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1. SUBSEQUENT TO RECEIPT OF REPAIR, GKR HAS UNDERTAKEN POSITIVE ACTION DESIGNED TO ELIMINATE PILFERAGE OF CARGO ARRIVING AT PORT OF KOMPONG SOM. A MINISTERIAL LEVEL CONFERENCE AND WORKING SESSION HELD SATURDAY JANUARY 12, 1974 AT KOMPONG SOM ORGANIZED A PORT AUTHORITY FOR KOMPONG SOM ALONG LINES OF PHNOM PENH PORT AUTHORITY. EFFECTIVE DATE FOR IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES AGREED UPON AT CONFERENCE WAS SET FOR 14 JANUARY 1974.

2. EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE ATTENDING CONFERENCE REPORTS THAAT THEFTS OF RICE RECENTLY OCCURING DURING DISCHARGE SS ELIZABETH LYKES AND SS GULF MERCHANT WERE SPECIFICALLY BROUGHT UP AT THE MEETING. THESE THEFTS WERE CITED AS EXAMPLES OF IMPROPER ACTIVITIES WHOSE SUPPRESSION IS A DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PORT AUTHORITY. MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS OP KIM ANG PRESIDED AT CONFERENCE AND STRESSED COOPERATION BETWEEN ALL ENTITIES AND GKR MINISTRIES REPRESENTED IN THE PORT AUTHORITY IS ESSENTIAL IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE SUCH INCIDENTS AS THOSE

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INVOLVING SS ELIZABETH LYKES AND SS GULF MERCHANT. HE REMARKED

THAT GKR MILITARY FORCES AND CIVIL AUTHORITIES ARE BOTH IN
THE SAME WAR TOGETHER, AND FRICTION BETWEEN THEM HINDERS OVER-
ALL WAR EFFORT. THIS SEEN AS APPEAL TO MILITARY TO COOPERATE,
SINCE LATTER HAS BEEN NAMED AS PRINCIPAL OFFENDER IN RICE
THEFTS AT KOMPONG SOM PORT.

3. EMBASSY PLANS TO UTILIZE SERVICES OF SOCIETE GENERAL DE
SURVEILLANCE AT KOMPONG SOM AT LEAST FOR ARRIVALS NEXT FEW
VESSELS TO OBTAIN OBJECTIVE REPORTTS ON EFFECTIVENESS OF NEW
PORT AUTHORITY. WILL ADVISE FURTHER AFTER DISCHARGE NEXT RICE
CARGOES AT KOMPONG SOM.
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